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Yinka Fadiora
Hope Health System
1726 Whitehead Road
Woodlawn, Maryland 21207

Re: Hope Health Systems – Docket No. 20-24-2444

Dear Mr. Fadiora:

The application for a Certificate of Need for the project identified above has been received and reviewed for completeness by the Commission's Staff. The application will be docketed for formal review as of **January 29, 2021** and notice of the docketing of the application will appear in the *Maryland Register* on that date.

Although not affecting the completeness of the application, the MHCC has the following additional information questions:

1. On p.57 of the application, you state, “the number of under 18 individuals with Medicaid receiving Mental Health Services increased each year from 2018 to 2019.” Should this say 2008-2019 or is the increase only shown in one year from 2018 to 2019? Please provide the correct statement.
2. In your application and subsequent completeness submission you discuss the needs of the Medicaid population in the Baltimore area, assuming a high number of Medicaid recipients in the Baltimore area without substantiating it. Please provide the Medicaid utilization statistics for the Baltimore region you used in your analysis as well as the source.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, feel free to contact Kevin McDonald at (410) 764-5982.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruby Potter".

Ruby Potter
Health Facilities Coordinator

cc: Baltimore City Health Officer
Dana Farakhan
Tom Dame, Esquire